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Subject: JCAHO Standards Submission

Thank you for submitting your standards question to the JCAHO Standards Interpretation Group.

Provided below is your original question and the answer to that question.

Any follow-up questions

can be answered by calling the JCAHO Standards Interpretation Group at

(630) 792-5900 or Fax

at (630) 792-5942.

Here is the original submitted question:

"I am from the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health. I would like to know if the CDC guidelines for prevention of the transmission of TB in HC facilities is used as a basis for some of your standards for review of HC organizations.

Thank you"

Here is the answer provided by the JCAHO SIG group:

"Standard IC.4.10 EP 1 requires that "Interventions are designed to incorporate relevant guidelines\* for infection prevention and control activities. \* Examples of guidelines include those offered by the CDC, Healthcare Infection Control Practices Advisory Committee (HICPAC), and National Quality Forum (NQF)."

I hope that you will find this information helpful. Please feel free to contact me again if I can be of further assistance.

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Associate Director, Standards Interpretation Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations 630-792-5900 "

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Please note: this response is based on the information provided in the question posed. This answer is only to provide guidance based on general principles and is not an analysis of your system. Only an on-site review by a surveyor can determine if a system adequately meets the intent of the standards.